
FEBRUARY 11, 1835,

Read twice, and postponed until Monday, the 16th of February instant.

Mr. FOSTER, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported the following bill:

A BILL

Further to define and punish the forgery or counterfeiting of consular and other certificates and attestations.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives*
2 *of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That*
3 any person or persons who shall forge or counterfeit any cer-
4 tificate or attestation of a consul, vice-consul, commercial
5 agent, or vice-commercial agent of the United States, which
6 said certificate or attestation is required or authorized by any
7 law of the United States, or by the law of nations, shall, on
8 conviction thereof before any court of the United States hav-
9 ing cognizance of the same, be adjudged guilty of felony, and
10 fined in a sum not exceeding ten thousand dollars, and im-
11 prisoned for a term not exceeding three years, at the discre-
12 tion of the court.